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Mr. Benjamin Good American Civil Liberties Union 125 Broad Street-18th Floor New York, NY 10004 bgood@aclu.org

REF: FOIA Case F-2016-00042

Dear Mr. Good:

This letter is the final response to your request dated 3 March 2016 and received in the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 8 March 2016. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you requested the following:

- (1) policies, standards, and guidance related to prepublication review;
- (2) final legal analyses of past, present, or proposed prepublication-review requirements;
- (3) final decisions of oflicials conducting prepublication reviews;
- (4) correspondence with former agency employees (or their representatives) who have submitted materials for prepublication review since January 1, 2009;
- (5) statistics relating to prepublication review, including but not limited to information documenting the total numbers of individuals who have submitted works for review, the total number of works submitted for review, the total number of submissions approved without change, the total number of submissions returned with proposed redactions or other modifications, the total number of pending submissions, and the duration of prepublication review processes.
- (6) titles, subject matters, and dates of works submitted for prepublication review; and
- (7) information about enforcement proceedings instituted or contemplated on the basis of violations of prepublication-review requirements, including breach-of-contract actions, agency administrative proceedings, and civil or criminal litigation.

Your request has been processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended.

As the NRO's third and final release, we are providing two documents (84 pages) responsive to the portion of your request addressing item # (6) in your request. These documents are being released to you in part.

Material withheld is denied pursuant to FOIA exemptions:

- (b)(1), as currently and properly classified under Executive Order 13526, Section 1.4(c);
- (b)(3), which is the basis for withholding of information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant withholding statute in this case is 10 U.S.C. \S 424); and
- (b)(6), which applies to records which, if released, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

If you have any questions, please contact trial attorney Ryan Parker at the Federal Programs Branch of the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division at {202)514-4336 or via email at ryan.parker@usdoj.gov, and please reference NRO case number F-2016-00042.

Sincerely,

Patricia B. Cameresi FOIA Public Liaison

Enclosure:

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